03-06-07-This correspondence is being sent via Express Mail No <u>EL833457237US</u> to Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. PATENT 2023 on March 5, 2002. IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE Van Breemen et al. 09/471,523 Serial No. Examiner: T. Prasthofer Attorney Docket No. 21726/90386 Filing Date: December 23, 1999 Group Art Unit: 1627 Title: SCREENING OF XENOBIOTICS AND ENDOGENOUS COMPOUNDS FOR METABOLIC TRANSFORMATION, FORMATION OF TOXIC METABOLITES. AND BIOAVAILABILITY

PETITION FOR A ONE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Assistant Commissioner for Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231 A one-month extension of time to April 4, 2002, is requested and hereby filed concurrently with an Amendment and Response to Office Action Mailed December 4, 2001. Check No. 3237 in the amount of \$55.00 is enclosed. Please charge any additional fees to Barnes & Thornburg Deposit Account No. 10-0435.

Applicant is a small entity, verified statement is already filed.

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